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This responds to your memorandum dated 21 June 1972, for
input to Information Science Training Report, RCS: DIA-OA-T2.

The statistics you requested are on the forms provided, as
an inclosure.

The narrative comment under the four headings you suggested
is also attached as an inclosure.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

NSA Member, IHC Subcommittee
on Education & Training

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PROGRESS IN INFORMATION SCIENCE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Internal offerings in information science subjects continued to grow. Two new courses were presented: Information Research and The Use of Intelligence Sources, and Introduction to Computer Hardware. Use of the curriculum for computer operators grew from 48 to 61 classes.

Certification of professionals in three pertinent disciplines continued: Data Systems, 142 (51 as a result of completing internship); Special Research, 239; Information Science, 12.

A transition program has been started for military personnel nearing the end of their active duty. Both formal training and on-job experience will be given as computer operator.

VALUE OF INFORMATION SCIENCE TRAINING RECEIVED

There are four purposes served by our training: first, to maintain the work force. This is important because NSA does much of its regular work using computers. Second, to improve the professional posture of the work force. Third, to keep up with changes in computer hardware and software. Fourth, to increase the number of people making and using new applications of computers. The number of enrollments has remained steady while the number of individuals trained has declined about 10%. This suggests a slight increase in the depth of training for some individuals.

HIRING OF EXPERIENCED PERSONNEL

Austerity has reduced the input of college recruits into information science activities. No college graduates have been put into computer intern programs; no graduates trained in computer science have been hired in June 1972, whereas 15 were hired a year ago.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING PLANS FOR FY-73

Austerity is likely to affect information science training adversely in only one respect; there may be fewer NSA employees taking graduate courses at local universities. This comes about because we are no longer promising graduate courses to a declining number of recruits.

Internal training should stay level in participation, and widen in scope. Training programs have been formulated for Information Science, Computer Maintenance, and Computer Production Control. People will enter these programs in the coming year. Four additional advanced computer courses are planned for FY-73.

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